

Energy and Environment Committee
of the
Southern California Association of Governments
June 6, 2013

Minutes

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE. A DIGITAL RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.

The Energy and Environment Committee (EEC) held its meeting at the SCAG Los Angeles Office. The meeting was called to order by the Hon. James Johnson, Chair. There was a quorum.

Members Present

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| Hon. Lisa Bartlett, Dana Point | TCA |
| Hon. Denis Bertone, San Dimas | SGVCOG |
| Hon. Margaret Clark, Rosemead | District 32 |
| Hon. Jordan Ehrenkranz, Canyon Lake | WRCOG |
| Hon. Larry Forester, Signal Hill | GCCOG |
| Hon. Ed Graham, Chino Hills | District 10 |
| Hon. James Johnson, Long Beach | District 30 |
| Hon. Thomas Martin, Maywood | GCCOG |
| Hon. Judy Mitchell, Rolling Hills Estates | District 40 |
| Hon. Mike Munzing, Aliso Viejo | District 12 |
| Hon. Sam Pedroza, Claremont | SGVCOG |
| Hon. David Pollock, Moorpark | VCOG |
| Hon. Carmen Ramirez, Oxnard | District 45 |
| Hon. Lupe Ramos Watson, Indio | District 66 |
| Hon. Jack Terrazas | Imperial County |
| Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, El Centro | District 1 |
| Hon. Diane Williams, Rancho Cucamonga | SANBAG |
| Hon. Edward Wilson, Signal Hill | Gateway Cities |
| Hon. Dennis Zine, City of Los Angeles | District 50 |

Members Not Present

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| Hon. Brian Brennan, San Buenaventura | VCOG |
| Hon. Mitchell Englander, Los Angeles | District 59 |
| Hon. Steve Hernandez, Coachella | CVAG |
| Hon. Linda Krupa, Hemet | WRCOG |
| Hon. Jeffery Prang, West Hollywood | WSCCOG |
| Hon. Ed Scott, Rialto | SANBAG |

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Hon. James Johnson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – None

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval Item

1. Minutes of the April 4, 2013 Meeting

A MOTION was made (Wilson) to approve the Consent Calendar. The MOTION was SECONDED (Mitchell) and unanimously APPROVED.

ACTION ITEMS

2. Addendum No. 1 to the 2012-2035 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR)

Pamela Lee, SCAG, reported that an amendment to the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS was prepared to reflect additions or changes to a number of critical transportation projects, based on requests received from the county transportation commissions. Staff has prepared Addendum No. 1 to the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS PEIR, included in the agenda packet.

A MOTION was made (Forester) to recommend that the Regional Council adopt Resolution No. 13-550-1 to approving Addendum No. 1 to the 2012-2035 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) PEIR. The motion was SECONDED (Viegas-Walker) and unanimously APPROVED.

3. Transportation Conformity Determination for Amendment No. 1 to 2012-2035 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) and Amendment No. 13-04 to the 2013 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP)

Rongsheng Luo, SCAG staff, reported that the Draft Transportation Conformity Analysis was released for a 30-day public review and also underwent a public hearing. Only one comment was received on the Amendment No. 1 to the RTP/SCS, and no comments, specifically regarding conformity, were received. The conformity analysis demonstrates that the Amendments meet all transportation conformity requirements.

A MOTION was made (Forester) to recommend that the Regional Council adopt the transportation conformity determination for Amendment No. 1 to the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS and Amendment No. 13-04 to the 2013 FTIP and direct staff to submit it to the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration for approval. The MOTION was seconded (Bertone) and unanimously APPROVED.

INFORMATION ITEMS

4. EEC Agenda Outlook and Discussion

Hon. James Johnson, EEC Chair, stated that he would like to develop a strategic plan to outline core issues that the EEC might consider over the next twelve (12) months. He sees an opportunity for SCAG to be a regional clearinghouse for best practices for issues that affect local government.

The Chair and the Committee members discussed the following potential topics for the EEC:

- Streets and sidewalks (safety, repair, funding, etc.)
- Public lighting (energy cost/savings and safety)
- Active Transportation
- Waste (reduction, conversion to energy, transport, etc.)
- Zero-emissions technologies
- Freight movement
- Energy (technologies, efficiency funding, etc.)
- CEQA reform
- Water issues (Delta Water Bond, storm water, desalinization, conservation, etc.)
- Urban forest management
- Open-space planning
- Effectively moving forward projects to meet RTP/SCS goals and policies

A MOTION was made (Johnson) to receive and file. The MOTION was SECONDED (Forester) and unanimously APPROVED.

5. Summary of Watershed Symposium on Southern California's Role in the Delta

Christine Fernandez, SCAG staff, provided a summary of the Watershed Symposium held on May 21, 2013, presented by the non-profit Council for Watershed Health. The purpose of the symposium was to educate Southern Californians about the debate surrounding the Bay Delta Conservation Plan. To keep the public informed, a preliminary administrative draft of the Bay Delta Conservation Plan has been released for public review. The final draft will be released for public review and comment in October 2013.

A MOTION was made (Forester) to receive and file. The MOTION was SECONDED (Mitchell) and unanimously APPROVED.

6. Sustainability Program Call for Proposals Update

Grieg Asher, SCAG staff, stated that May 31, 2013 was the deadline for the Sustainability Grant Program Call for Proposals. He reported that there were seventy-six (76) independent applications submitted and all the counties within the region participated. The total amount requested was approximately \$10.25 million dollars. There were fewer funds available than the amount being requested in 2013, and the ranking criteria approved by the Regional Council will be applied. Staff will start reviewing the proposals in the next few weeks and report back to the EEC with a ranked list of projects by the end of summer or early fall.

7. Bottom-up Local Input Process for 2016-40 RTP/SCS and Growth Forecast Development

Simon Choi, SCAG staff, stated that a bottom-up local input process is being conducted for the successful compilation of growth forecast data for the new 2016-2040 RTP/SCS. The deadline for receiving local input data is September 30, 2014. Today, staff presented the same item to CEHD which approved the following actions: 1) Recommend Regional Council approval that jurisdictions' City Manager, County Administrator, Subregional Executive Director (in the case where a subregional organization is submitting the input on behalf of its member jurisdictions), or their respective designee provide approval on growth forecast and land use data. While not required as a method of submittal of information, SCAG jurisdictions may voluntarily choose to utilize the optional Data Verification and Approval Form. If another transmittal method of

information is utilized, it should include the signature of the official designee; and 2) Recommend Regional Council approval that local jurisdictions may also choose to adopt, while optional, a resolution designating a position representing the jurisdiction's input on the growth forecast and land use data for the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS. Other options for the designation may include formal action by the jurisdiction, the transmittal of a letter to SCAG, or meeting minutes. [Samples of both the Data Verification and Approval Form and Resolution were provided as part of the agenda packet.]

Hon. Judy Mitchell, Rolling Hills Estates, stated that the district she represents supports the action taken today by CEHD, as presented by staff. Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, suggested that consideration be given to a requirement that the local jurisdiction who chooses to designate a person responsible for approving and submitting the local growth forecast data to SCAG that the jurisdiction would have an affirmative duty to notify SCAG if the respective designee is no longer employed by the jurisdiction. This language should be included in the materials provided by SCAG so the jurisdiction is made aware of their obligation.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Hon. James Johnson congratulated Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker as 2nd Vice-President of the Regional Council; and Hon. Judy Mitchell on her appointment to the Air Resources Board (ARB).

STAFF REPORT

Jonathan Nadler, SCAG staff, announced that the ARB is required to update the AB 32 Scoping Plan every five (5) years, and a regional workshop will be held on June 26, 2013 at the South Coast Air Quality Management District auditorium in Diamond Bar. A kick-off workshop will also be held on June 13, 2013 at the ARB in Sacramento which will be webcast. Information on both workshops will be posted on SCAG's website.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - None

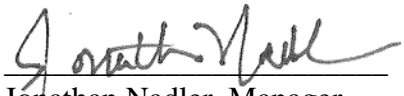
ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. James Johnson adjourned the meeting at 10:58 a.m.

The next meeting of the Energy & Environment Committee will be held on Thursday, August 1, 2013 at the SCAG Los Angeles Office.

Action Minutes Approved by:


Jonathan Nadler, Manager
Compliance & Performance
Monitoring

Energy and Environment Committee Attendance Report

2013

| Member (including Ex-Officio) LastName, FirstName | Date Appointed if after 1/1/13 | Representing | X = County Represented | | | | | | X = Attended Black Shading = Dark | | | | | | | | | | | | Total Mtgs Attended |
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| | | | Imperial | Los Angeles | Orange | Riverside | San Bernardino | Ventura | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | |
| Bartlett, Lisa | | OCCOG | | | X | | | | X | X | X | X | | X | | | | | | | 5 |
| Bertone, Denis | | SGVCOG | | X | | | | | X | X | X | X | G | X | | | | | | | 5 |
| Brennan, Brian | | VCOG | | | | | | X | | | | | E | | | | | | | | |
| Clark, Margaret | | Rosemead | | X | | | | | X | X | X | X | N | X | | | | | | | 5 |
| Ehrenkranz, Jordan | | WRCOG | | | | X | | | X | X | | | E | X | | | | | | | 3 |
| Englander, Mitchell | | Los Angeles | | X | | | | | | | X | | R | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Forester, Larry | | Gateway Cities | | X | | | | | X | X | X | X | A | X | | | | | | | 5 |
| Genis, Sandra | June | OCCOG | | | X | | | | | | | | L | | | | | | | | |
| Graham, Ed | | Chino Hills | | | | | X | | X | X | X | X | | X | | | | | | | 5 |
| Hernandez, Steven | Feb. | CVAG | | | | | X | | | X | X | X | A | | | | | | | | 3 |
| Johnson James | | Long Beach | | X | | | | | | X | X | X | S | | | | | | | | 3 |
| Krupa, Linda | Feb. | Hemet | | | | X | | | | X | | | S | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Martin, Thomas | | GCCOG | | X | | | | | X | X | X | X | E | X | | | | | | | 5 |
| Mitchell, Judy | | SBCCOG | | X | | | | | | | X | X | M | X | | | | | | | 3 |
| Munzing, Mike | April | District 12 | | | X | | | | | | X | X | B | X | | | | | | | 3 |
| Pedroza, Sam | | SGVCOG | | X | | | | | X | X | X | X | L | X | | | | | | | 5 |
| Pollock, David | | VCOG | | | | | | X | X | X | X | X | Y | X | | | | | | | 5 |
| Prang, Jeffery | | W. Hollywood | | X | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ramirez, Carmen | April | Oxnard | | | | | | X | | | | | | X | | | | | | | 1 |
| Ramos, James | June | SANBAG | | | | | x | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ramos Watson, Lupe | | CVAG | | | | X | | | | X | | | | X | | | | | | | 2 |
| Robertson, Deborah | August | District 8 | | | | | X | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Scott, Edward | | SANBAG | | | | | X | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Terrazas, Jack | | Imperial County | X | | | | | | X | X | X | X | | X | | | | | | | 5 |
| Viegas Walker, Cheryl | | El Centro | X | | | | | | X | X | X | X | | X | | | | | | | 5 |
| Williams, Diane | | SANBAG | | | | | X | | X | X | X | X | | X | | | | | | | 5 |
| Wilson, Edward | | Signal Hill | | X | | | | | X | | X | X | | X | | | | | | | 4 |
| Zerunyan, Frank | April | SBCCOG | | | | | X | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Zine, Dennis | | Los Angeles | | X | | | | | X | X | | | | X | | | | | | | 3 |
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